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Corrections News

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Haynie Chosen as Department June Employee of the Month

Kim Haynie has been selected as the Missouri Department of Corrections Employee of the Month for June 2008. Haynie is employed as a Cook III at Women's Eastern Reception, Diagnostic and Correctional Center (WERDCC) in Vandalia. Haynie is being recognized for her quick action in January 2008 after discovering a note hidden in a box of beef base. The note was from an Ozark Correctional Center (OCC) offender, who was trying to make contact with any WERDCC offender who might find the note.

"Your thoroughness and attention to detail may have prevented further problems for both institutions," Corrections Department Director Larry Crawford wrote in a letter to Haynie. "Had the offender been successful, other things might have been able to be smuggled into both institutions. You are a perfect example of how every employee in the institution is part of a team and can make a difference in the safety and security of staff and offenders."

Haynie has been employed with the Department of Corrections for five years and lives in Farber.

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